Long Term Visa

2102. SHRI VIDYA SAGAR NISHAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 4006 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th August, 2001 and state:

(a) whether practice of granting Long Term Visa for persons living since long in India has been discontinued;

(b) if so, the reasons and justification thereof;

(c) the number of persons living since 1954 in Uttar Pradesh on Long Term Visa;

(d) whether Government propose to consider this matter sympathetically and would continue to grant Long Term Visa to such persons so that they don't face any problem who are now in their old age; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and by when it would come into force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (e) All the State Governments, Union Territory Administrations, Foreigners' Regional Registration Officers (FRROs) and Chief Immigration Officer (CHIO) have been delegated powers to grant extention of stay to the foreigners of certain specified categories. Other cases are referred to the Ministry of Home Affairs with their recommendations. The data of visa extension to the foreigners is not maintained centrally.

Dharamvir Enquiry Commission

†2103. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the image of police network among the people is quite negative;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government had constituted "Dharamvir Enquiry Commission" keeping in view the said condition of police network; and

(c) if so, what were the main recommendations of the above enquiry commission alongwith the problems being faced in their implementation?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The image of police is still a legacy of the colonial era and efforts are being made to make the police a people-friendly and service oriented organization.

(b) and (c) Central Government had set up the National Police Commission (NPC) in 1977 under the chairmanship of Shri Dharamvira to make a comprehensive review of the police system in the country and to recommend necessary measures on police reforms. The NPC submitted various recommendations pertaining to providing more funds for housing, strengthening of the police communication system, giving financial assistance for computerization in the State Police Forces under the Scheme. Establishment of the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), streamling the set up of Bureau of Police Research & Development (BPR&D), directorate of Coordination of Police Wireless (DCPW) and National Institute of Criminology & Forensic Science (NICFS). These also included issue of guidelines on arrest of persons, constitution of State Security commission, procedure for selection of Director General of Police of the State and fixing their tenure, replacement of the Police Act, 1861 etc. Many of these recommendations have been implemented while others are at various stages of implementation in different States.

Reconstitution of Central Intelligence Bureau

†2104. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BALAPTE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration for the reconstitution of the Central Intelligence Bureau;

(b) if so, whether there is any scheme for its offices, officials located in States; and

(c) if so, whether Government have proposed any committee for the purpose of increasing meager facilities in this vital department alongwith details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) questions do not arise.

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